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# FOSTER EXPOSES WITCH-HUNT AIM

## Calls Rankin Redbaiting Cover for Imperialism

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. — William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party, told the House Committee on Un-American Activities today that Rep. John E. Rankin (D-Miss), its most boisterous member, was a "cheap red-baiter" in the service of American imperialists.

"This cheap red-baiting," said Foster, while Rankin tried to interrupt, "is designed to create a smoke-screen behind which American imperialist forces are carrying on a drive to dominate the world."

The Communist leader declared that the Rankin Committee "is an incipient Gestapo and it should be abolished."

Foster took the offensive against the red-baiters throughout the hearings, which lasted only 70 minutes today. He resumes tomorrow morning.

He dealt frankly with President Truman's retreats before the Hoovers and Vandenberg in his testimony today.

"In this drive to dominate the world," said Foster, "the characteristic spokesmen are Herbert Hoover, Tom Dewey, John Foster Dulles, and Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg."

Rep. Parnell Thomas (R-NJ), ranking Republican member and a Dies Committee veteran, was quick to protest.

"They aren't in the administration," he said.

"So you think," retorted Foster. The voice of Hoover is actually more potent in Congress than the voice of Truman, both in domestic and international affairs. In the drive

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**It's All One Fight:** Discharged war vets recently home from the battlefronts are shown picketing in front of the Daily News Building on E. 42 St. yesterday afternoon. Their placards protest John O'Donnell's anti-Semitic column which appeared in the Daily News of Oct. 3. [Story on page 5.]

—Daily Worker Photo

## 'This Body Is An Incipient Gestapo'

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. — Statement presented by William Z. Foster to the House Committee on Un-American Activities:

I wish to protest indignantly against the assumption of this committee that Communists are un-American. Contrary to this, we Communists yield to nobody in the patriotic defense of American national interests.

During the war, with America's fate at stake, we had over 12,000 of our members in the armed services, and on the home front we loyally supported labor's no-strike pledge and spared no efforts to achieve maximum war production.

For a generation the Communists have been unsparing in their efforts to strengthen the trade unions, the very foundation of American democracy.

We have always worked tirelessly to raise the living standards of the working masses, upon which the economic future of the United States depends.

Every piece of progressive legislation incorporating the real American spirit of democ-



racy has always had the ardent support of the Communists.

In the best American tradition we have uncompromisingly fought every form of racial and religious discrimination.

We are especially proud of our long fight for full economic, political and social equality for the Negro people, without which there cannot be true democracy in the United States.

The Communists are the most resolute of all fighters against fascism, which is the enemy of everything truly American.

It was in the deepest American national interest that we Communists worked long and diligently for close and friendly cooperative relations between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., without which cooperation we would have lost the war and would not win the peace.

It is also in the most basic American interest that we Communists are now warning the American people against the dangerous attempts of reactionaries here to force the United States into a path of imperialist world domination.

And history will show that in proposing a system of socialism to take the place of deca-

dent capitalism, the breeder of economic chaos, fascism and war, we are thereby advancing the most fundamental of all American national interests.

We Communists are proud of our record of Americanism, the Americanism of the people, not the trusts, the Americanism of democracy, peace and progress.

The present House Committee, like the Dies Committee before it, is not guarding democratic Americanism; it is promoting the worst, most fascist forms of reaction in this country. It is seeking to develop an anti-red hysteria, under cover of which the great banks and monopolies can the more easily forward their schemes of reaction in the United States and of imperialist aggression abroad. It begins by attacking the Communists and will end by assailing the trade unions and everything else progressive. That is why it has the enthusiastic support of Hearst and all other native fascists and reactionaries.

This committee is carrying on a combination of Hitlerist red-baiting, Japanese "dangerous thought" control, and Salem witch-hunting. It is an incipient Gestapo and it should be abolished.



# Atom Experts Tell Senators: World Use or World Suicide

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—Two of the nation's foremost experts on atomic bombs warned today that the release of atomic energy weakens the military position of the United States and that a world organization to control its use must be established to prevent another war "too horrible to contemplate."

They contended immediate action is imperative to head off an armament race in atomic weapons.

The youthful scientists—Dr. J. R. Oppenheimer, director of atomic bomb research at Los Alamos, N. M., and Dr. H. J. Curtis, representing scientists of the Oak Ridge, Tenn., laboratories—presented their views to a joint Senate Commerce-Military Affairs Committee hearing that was so crowded spectators spilled into an adjoining room.

Oppenheimer echoed the testimony of other experts that there is no defense against atomic bombs. Lighting up his pipe, he leaned back in his chair and observed confidently:

"I don't know about other bombs, but our cannot be exploded by any means before they reach their destination."

He added that there never will be a satisfactory defense "unless perhaps you learn how to shoot down a rocket such as the V-2." Even then, he said, it would be technically possible for spies or saboteurs to plant a bomb in another country.

He concurred in a statement by Curtis that the only solution is to "turn over to an international organization the control of all aspects of atomic power... (so that) atomic bombs will be used solely by an international commission for the preservation of peace."

Curtis warned that "one false move in international diplomacy might mean the virtual destruction of this country."

"The creation of international control," he said, "seems to us a fearless, drastic alternative to dispersal of our cities and life underground which would be necessary to minimize an unannounced atomic bomb attack."

Oppenheimer added that "I don't envy the secretaries of state who have to grapple with this problem."

He agreed with Sen. J. William Fulbright, (D-Ark.), that the United States would be more vulnerable to attack than the Soviet Union because its area is smaller and its industry more centralized.

In fact, he added, "atomic power has weakened the military position of the United States."

"It has momentarily strengthened us, but not in the long run. Some people apparently have been reluctant to draw this to the attention of the world."

Both favored free discussions among world scientists but opposed making known to the general public still-secret facts about atomic energy.

Efforts to confine the secrets to scientists in this country, he said, "would serve notice on other countries that we are developing atomic energy for military purposes."

"There would result an international armament race in atomic bombs which could only lead to a war too horrible to contemplate," he said. "Let us by all means reject the idea of development of atomic power in secret laboratories."

## Detroit to Hear Foster Tuesday

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Oct. 17.—William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party, will speak in Detroit next Tuesday. He will come direct from Washington, where he appeared before the Rankin witch-hunting committee.

Foster will speak at the Book-Cadillac Hotel at 8 p.m.

## USSR Repeats Its Japan Plan

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes revealed today that the Soviet Union has reiterated its suggestion that four-power control of machinery for Japan be set up before the formation of a Far Eastern advisory commission.

Byrnes told a press conference that USSR has not yet accepted his invitation to send a representative here on Oct. 23 for formation of a 10-nation advisory commission which would formulate policy for Japan.

In reply to the invitation, he said, the USSR again expressed preference for establishment of a four-power control council for Japan similar to the one operating in Germany.

# Foster Bares Witch-Hunt As Cover for Imperialism

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to dominate the world, President Truman has adopted a policy of yielding before the pressure of these imperialist forces."

Truman, added Foster, has pledged himself to carry out the democratic policies of President Roosevelt. In this pledge he has the support of the Communists, continued the CP chairman, but in the past two months, he continued, Truman has yielded on the issue of postwar policies in Germany and elsewhere.

The issue of imperialism came up in the midst of a hubbub of questioning by Rankin about a 33-year-old pamphlet that Foster had written on syndicalism. He repudiated it a generation ago.

"Is Truman an imperialist?" asked Rep. Gerald W. Landis (R-Ind.), who had been reading a Daily Worker report of Foster's recent speech at Madison Square Garden.

"He is inherently an imperialist, and I'd like to explain why," replied Foster.

Rankin interrupted so violently that he was quite inarticulate for some time. Then he demanded that Foster answer questions about the ancient pamphlet and the "overthrow of government."

"I refuse to be an instrument of your red-baiting plans," replied Foster. "I'm a Communist, not a syndicalist."

## HITS BYRNES' ROLE

Rankin's continual disorderly interruptions of his fellow committee members as well as of the witness made it difficult for Foster to speak. But Foster got the committee's attention a little later with some incisive words on Dulles' friend, James Byrnes, the Secretary of State.

"The appointment of Byrnes was a tremendous concession to the American imperialists," said Foster. "The naming of Dulles as chief adviser to the Secretary in London is evidence of that fact."

"It was a bad day for the United States and for world democracy when Mr. Byrnes assumed the post of Secretary of State."

Dealing with the forces behind the Dulles, Byrnes, Vandenberg drive, Foster said: "There can be no doubt



**Beginning New Lives:** Safe in England from the horrors of Buchenwald these three orphaned children—more than 300 were brought from Germany—play with the first toys they've ever known. Some 1,000 more orphaned youngsters are due for arrival in England soon.

that the trusts and monopolies in the United States are pressing for a program of aggressive imperialism."

Rankin exploded at this: "The question is not about the trusts, but about imperialism," he said. "Imperialism," replied Foster, "is a very broad matter."

## MEMBERS SQUABBLE

Foster's blunt answers started a squabble between the Democrats and Republicans on the committee.

Thus Chairman John Wood (D-Va) and Rankin tried to choke off the answers to Landis' question on Truman's imperialist tendencies. Parnell Thomas and the Republicans welcomed the inquiry at first, but when Foster exposed the role of Hoover, Thomas protested, while some Democrats grinned. The Democrats, led by Rankin, however, intervened again when Foster denounced Byrnes.

Confusion characterized the committee sessions from the start. It has been rumored that Rankin had some new frame-up or smear that would make the headlines. But the hearings started in a routine way, with Ernie Adamson, committee counsel, asking Foster about the dissolution of the Communist Party in 1944, and its restoration this Summer.

Adamson also asked whether Foster hadn't been expelled from the AFL. No, replied Foster, his membership ceased after he quit his trade.

Adamson played with these questions for a while, but he didn't get anywhere, and Rankin soon took the play away from him with a long cross-examination about the syndicalism pamphlet.

Other committee members by this time were trying to question Foster about imperialism and other issues. Foster got nods of assent from a couple of members when he sharply asked Rankin why he didn't talk about something real, instead of an "antedeluvian" piece of writing that reflected neither the views of himself or of his organization.

Rankin exploded at this. Adamson was a supernumerary at the hearings after the first 15 minutes or so.

Rankin's interruptions of Foster when he was trying to answer other committee members' questions, became so disorderly that Chairman Wood once intervened and told Rankin not to break in. Wood has never rebelled against the dominating figure on the committee before. Foster repeatedly stressed the party's role in fighting for improved workers' standards today.

## CP STAND ON UNIONS

When someone asked him why the party was interested in trade unions, Foster replied that trade unions were the very "foundation of democracy."

"Without trade unions we would have fascism," he declared.

The party does everything possible to strengthen the trade union movement, he said.

Asked about the Socialist Party, Foster said that in many parts of the world the Socialists were cooperating with the Communists in the struggle for the people.

Rankin shouted that the Communists wanted to overthrow the government, and he would prove it. Foster sternly denied this and scored his red-baiting again.

Asked about the party's attitude towards the abolition of capitalism, Foster said that the party was working for the advancement of the working class and other sections of the people within the framework of capitalism today. At the same time it was carrying on educational work to prepare the people for Socialism.

## CAPITALISM DECADENT

Capitalism, he emphasized, was decadent today.

At one point, a statement Foster had written many years ago against the MacDonald cabinet's policy of murdering Indians was read.

Would Foster still stand on that, he was asked.

The statement was true, Foster replied.

## Hirohito Proclaims 'Amnesty'

TOKYO, Oct. 17 (UP).—Emperor Hirohito tonight proclaimed a general amnesty affecting 1,000,000 persons, including Communists who have been working openly for his overthrow.

The cabinet abolished the religious organization control law in compliance with Gen. Douglas MacArthur's demand for religious freedom in Japan.

## RELIED ON JAPANESE IN JAVA-ATTLEE

Prime Minister Attlee admitted in Commons yesterday that Allied troops had relied on the Japanese to "keep order" in Java and elsewhere. Brushing off opposition among Labor Party members, he asserted that British troops would remain in Indonesia until the Dutch imperialists can "assume control" and "maintain law and order."

Attlee "explained" reliance on the Japanese in Java on the basis of the fact that the Indonesian independence movement had won control of most areas outside Batavia. While admitting that the Indonesian independence movement must be taken into account, he sought to discount it by claiming it had been sponsored by the Japanese. This criterion evidently need not be applied to the Japanese themselves, in the Prime Minister's opinion.

He said that the British were in "closest consultation" with the Netherlands Government on the Indonesian situation in an apparent attempt to quiet suspicions that Britain is seeking to feather its own depleted imperialist nest at Dutch expense.

A laborite member told Attlee that some were "disturbed at what seems to be the case—that the Japanese and ourselves are collaborating in using force in Indonesia."

## Win Raise for 7,000 Leather Workers

Wage increases ranging from 5 cents to 10 cents an hour have been won for close to 7,000 leather workers in 11 cities, it was announced yesterday by the International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO.

Health insurance, improved vacation plans and other gains were also obtained in renewal of local union contracts and interim negotiations.

Raises obtained were as follows:

Chicago: 10 cents an hour for 1,200 luggage workers; 6 cents an hour at Superior Tannery; 7 cents an hour at Monarch tannery; and 7 cents an hour at Ross.

Milwaukee: 6 cents an hour at Greenbaum plant No. 2.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.: 8 to 11 cents an hour at Northwestern Tannery.

Waukegan, Ill.: 5 1/2 cents an hour at Greiss-Pfloger Tannery.

Girard, Ohio: 5 cents an hour at Ohio-Leather Co.

Red Wing, Minn.: 5 cents an hour at Red Wing, Minn.

Lebanon, N. H.: 5 cents an hour at E. Cummings & Bros.

Woburn, Mass.: 5 cents an hour at Boggs & Cobb.

Philadelphia: 5 cents an hour at Surpass Tannery; 5 to 7 1/2 cents an hour at Berk; 10 cents an hour at Workman's; and 5 to 10 cents an hour at Hubschman; 4 cents an hour token increase at Houghton with agreement to negotiate further increase shortly.

Asheville, N. C.: 6 cents an hour at Hans Rees Sons Tannery after a 10-day strike in which Negro and white tannery workers stood solidly together until they won their demands.

Wilmington, Del.: 5 cents an hour at Amalgamated Leather; average 10 percent raise for all piece workers at Youngco.

## Braden Gets Okay

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today unanimously approved the nomination of Spruille Braden,





**Police "Bravery":** Armed with hickory clubs, police and deputy sheriffs attack pickets who are sitting down at the gates of the Warners Bros. studio in Hollywood.

## Mayor Sees Youth Group, Hits Atom Secret

Mayor LaGuardia yesterday told a group leaving for the London World Youth Conference it would be "silly" to think the United States could keep the secret of the atom bomb to itself.

Nine of the 25 U.S. delegates to the conference, who are scheduled to sail for England Friday, discussed with the Mayor in City Hall some of the problems they will take up at the conference with the youth of 62 other nations.

They told LaGuardia they believed atomic energy know-how should be shared by the United Nations through their international organization as a means of assuring that the new scientific discovery will not be used for future aggressive wars. The Mayor expressed agreement with them on that point.

Miss Frances Damon, of the American Youth for a Free World and also a spokesman for the group, told the Mayor they had not yet taken a position on the question of universal military training. LaGuardia, who had previously opposed peace-time conscription, said he had changed his mind and is now for it.

### ECONOMICS No. 1 ISSUE

The youth of the world, the Mayor told the group, can do much to preserve the peace. He told the delegates the most important question was economic—that is, that the people of the world must have adequate food, shelter and proper living conditions.

The Mayor urged the delegates to keep up their fight for improved educational facilities and proposed the number of exchange students for the democratic countries be enlarged.

The London conference, which will open Oct. 31, aims to plan for a place that the organized democratic youth of the world can occupy alongside government bodies in the organization of the United Nations.

Delegates from the U.S. will carry with them a Charter of World Youth Rights and Needs drawn up by their arrangements committee.

Besides Miss Damon, those who visited the Mayor were Russell Jones, National Intercollegiate Council; Doris Senk, American Youth for a Free World; Elsa Graves, Industrial Council of the YWCA; Alice Horton, U.S. Student Assembly; Elizabeth Green, American Unitarian Youth.

Also Tom Neil, United Electrical Machine Workers of America, CIO; Elizabeth McCandless, Los Angeles Youth Project; Joseph Engel, Young Peoples League of United Synagogues.

## Call Parley to Fight Commentator Gag

By ADAM LAPIN

Johannes Steel, commentator on Station WHN, charged yesterday that the Rankin Committee is attempting to "get all liberal opinion and thought eliminated from the air."

Steel appealed to liberal organizations to fight the Rankin Committee.

In a wire to the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, Steel declared the National Association of Manufacturers is the force behind the committee's smear investigation.

"Liberal commentators like myself," said Steel, "are being subpoenaed in a pressure campaign which is designed to intimidate radio stations and get us off the air."

The Federation promptly wired protests against the Rankin probe to House Democratic and Republican leaders, to four radio stations being subjected to pressure and to the three least prejudiced members of the Rankin Committee itself, Reps. John Murdock (D-Ariz.), J. W. Robinson (D-Ut.) and Herbert Bonner (D-NC).

Amidst indications that a full-fledged drive against the Rankin Committee is getting under way, the Radio Division of the Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions urged action "to stop the campaign of subtle intimidation" by the House witch-hunters against liberal commentators.

### CALL PARLEY MONDAY

A wide variety of liberal and professional groups were called to a conference next Monday night to combat the Rankin Committee by

the Radio Division, which represents top-flight talent in the radio field. Jo Davidson, noted sculptor, is chairman of the Independent Citizens' Committee.

The Rankin Committee was charged with using "whispered threats and innuendoes" which constitute censorship and undermine civil liberties, in its request to radio stations that it be given the scripts of liberal commentators for "review."

Michael J. Quill, Bronx Councilman and CIO leader, charged that the Rankin Committee's indirect gag on radio commentators was "reminiscent of the Palmer raids of 20 odd years ago."

### William Morris Vote Goes to Screen Guild

Office workers at William Morris agency, the nation's largest theatrical booking agency, yesterday designated Local 1, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, as their collective bargaining agent in a vote held under NLRB auspices.

The organizing campaign led by Mrs. Ellen Davidson is the beginning of a drive into the other divisions of the entertainment field by members of the Screen Guild of Local 1.

## 'Enterprise' Heads Advance Units Of Victorious Navy Into N. Y. Bay

The USS Enterprise, "Big E" of the Pacific Fleet, steamed into New York harbor yesterday, leading an advance armada of nine ships of the victorious "Nimitz Navy."

The "Big E" was accompanied through the mists of dawn by the carrier Monterey, half her size. She was followed, at a respectful distance, by the light carrier Bataan, heavy cruiser Portland and six battle veteran destroyers.

They were vanguards of the most powerful force of men-of-war ever to salute the Statue of Liberty. Seven of the ships will be joined by 43 other fleet units by Navy Day, Oct. 27, when they will be reviewed by President Truman.

The destroyers Foote, Young,

Zellars, Aulick and Douglas A. Fox will remain with the big carriers in New York's Hudson River. The Bataan, Portland and destroyer Sterrett will go to other ports for Navy Day.

The 8,500 officers and men in the armada, with thousands of Naval passengers and liberated war prisoners, cheered the Enterprise as much as for their first glimpse of New York's skyline.

The "Big E" had traveled more than 275,000 war miles and participated in 18 Pacific battles. First carrier to win the Presidential Citation, her planes and guns shot down 911 Japanese planes, sank 71 ships and damaged or probably sank

# Lewis Calls Off Strike Without Consulting Men

John L. Lewis, who had not consulted the miners four weeks ago when he forced more than 200,000 of them into idleness, yesterday issued a sudden order of resumption of work next Monday.

The \$25,000 a year boss over the United Mine Workers had neither an explanation for his action nor a contract. As in the earlier case, he asked no opinion from the coal miners.

The strike was called to force recognition of District 50 as collective bargaining agent for the coal mine supervisors. Admitting that he got nowhere with the operators on this issue, Lewis merely informed the locals in a wire that negotiations would be resumed "at a later and more appropriate date."

Lewis told the locals to notify his office of every effort by the companies to invoke the contract provisions fining the workers for each day on strike. The union, he added, would then file a 30-days strike notice under Smith-Connally Act provisions in each such case.

K. C. Adams, Lewis' press agent, attempting to explain his employer's move, said it was "obviously taken in the public interest."

The strike which ended in its 26th day and closed 1,029 mines had cut coal production approximately 1,150,000 a day. Banking of steel mills was beginning at a serious rate.

Meanwhile, coal miners who have lost three to four weeks wages, are wondering what Lewis will order next. Rumbblings have already been heard in some locals because no wage demands had been put forward for the miners although their rates have not changed since April, 1941. The sole issue in this strike concerned the mine foremen.

Pennsylvania coal miners are especially incensed because of the state ruling that the idleness forced upon the coal miners is a "dispute." This forces them to wait five weeks for unemployment insurance qualification instead of one week. The foremen, according to the union, were directly involved in the dispute with the miners, idle because there was no supervision.

### Examine Hess, Find 'Intentional Amnesia'

NUERNBERG, Oct. 17 (UP).—Rudolf Hess, one-time No. 2 Nazi, is suffering from "intentional amnesia," American medical officers reported today.

Hess was brought here from Britain for trial as one of the 24 top Nazi war criminals.

## Big Business Demands Still Deeper Tax Cut

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. — Big business spokesmen said today they were not satisfied with the \$5,350,000,000 tax relief bill which grants substantial concessions to corporations and high income groups.

The National Association of Manufacturers denounced the bill as "too little and too late," and urged cuts closer to \$8,000,000,000. A similar position was taken by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

H. E. Humphreys, chairman of the NAM tax committee, proposed in testimony before the Senate Finance Committee, new cuts benefiting big business including outright repeal of the corporate excess profits tax at the end of the year and a flat 20 percent reduction in individual income taxes.

Ellsworth C. Alvord, chairman of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce tax committee, also urged repeal of the excess profits tax.

Alvord similarly favored a flat percentage reduction of individual taxes by 20 to 25 percent.

The Senate finance committee planned to begin the job of rewriting the bill in executive session tomorrow.

## Suit Against Rail Clerk Union Dictator Heard

Grand President George Harrison's strong-hand domination over the Railway and Steamship Clerks Union of the AFL was challenged yesterday in a trial that began in New York Supreme Court.

With the Civil Liberties Union fighting his case, Michael Gallagher, former chairman of Lodge 21125 of the union in New York, sued the union's leaders for illegally removing him from office and for expelling him. His "crime" was the issuance of a circular in April, 1943, in behalf of a Rank and File Committee in the union, supporting a candidate in the contest for the local's financial secretary post.

Gallagher was still on the stand yesterday when the court session adjourned to resume today. The case is before Justice Deneen, with Jerome Count attorney for the ACLU.

### OTHERS FIGHT EXPULSION

Gallagher's case is only a forerunner in a fight being waged by other expelled rank and filers.

Six were expelled for protesting against Harrison's retention last year of E. L. Keenan as grand president of the New York Area Adjustment Board of the union, after Keenan admitted embezzling \$3,300 from the organization's treasury. Harrison, through his secretary-treasurer, Philip Zeigler, ordered Keenan retained as chairman despite the overwhelming vote of the New York membership for his removal. Zeigler told the members that he arranged for Keenan's repayment of the stolen money at \$50 weekly.



# Dubinsky Imposes Fines to Fill Goldstein Rally

David Dubinsky's garment workers union officials are beginning to fine members in order to compel them to hear Jonah Goldstein, Deweyite-Liberal Party nominee for Mayor.

Leaders of Local 20 of the ILGWU informed all members this week that if they do not attend a meeting for Goldstein today, they will be fined two dollars.

Apparently this is the result of the fact that rallies for the GOP candidate arranged by other locals have been "flops." The workers have been staying away from them in droves, while they show a good deal of interest in the noon-day rallies for William O'Dwyer arranged by the garment center American Labor Party club.

The vindictive attitude of garment union officials to the activities of the ALP was exhibited earlier this week at a rally for Goldstein arranged by the campaign committee of Cutters' Local 10. Though circulars and letters telling the membership about the meeting made it clear it was a public affair open to all members, five cutters who were known to be sympathetic to the ALP were stopped at the door and prohibited from attending.

The ILGWU and its companion Capmakers Union are virtually the only labor organizations of any standing backing the Goldstein slate. The rank-and-file membership, however, has never been given

an opportunity to vote on the endorsements.

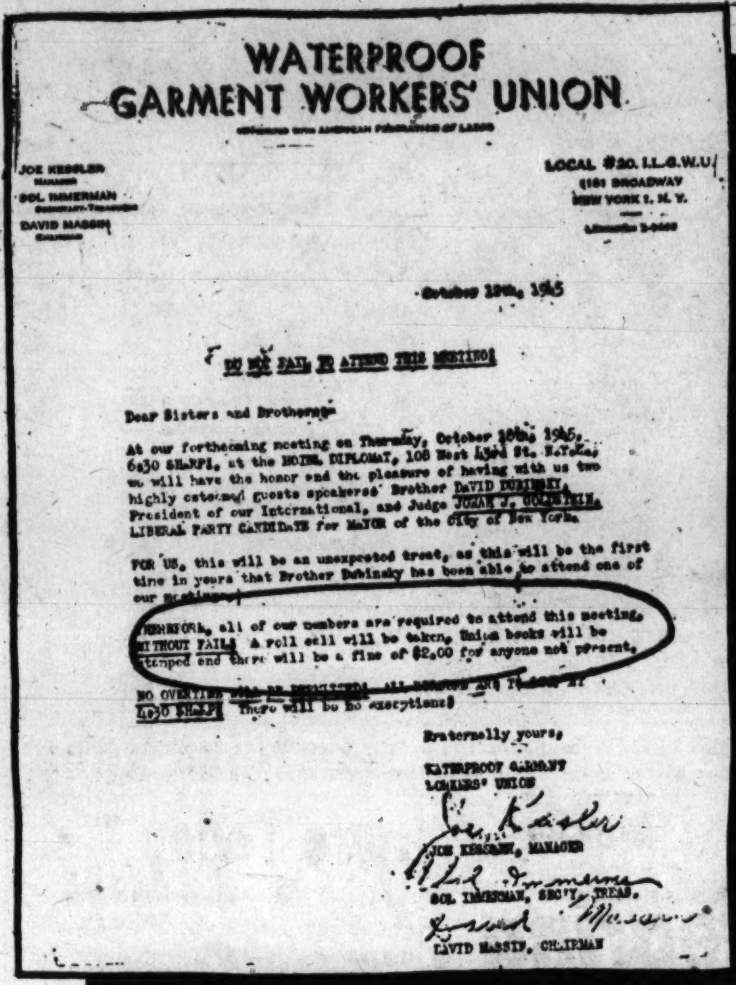
In Local 48, for instance, members report that when they wanted to discuss an executive committee report containing the endorsement, they were shut up on the startling grounds that no politics could be taken up on the floor.

Despite the fact that in action the members have indicated their opposition to these endorsements, locals are spending union funds and the International has itself contributed huge amounts of money for the campaign.

The dictatorial attitude of the officials of Local 20, typical of the way Dubinsky's union is run, can and probably will be used by foes of labor, like Westbrook Pegler, to attack all political action of unions. Last year, the GOP attempted to smear the CIO political action committee with false tales about coercion.

Hostility of large sections of the rank-and-file to the Goldstein ticket is likely to be increased as news of Goldstein's efforts at strike-breaking in the longshore strike becomes widely known.

The press yesterday published a



The officials of this local are taking no chances on the drawing power of brothers Dubinsky and Goldstein. It will cost a member two dollars not to hear them. Maybe it's worth it.

statement by the Deweyite nominee of the Ryan machine on the waterfront. His lining up with Ryan will not sit well with the garment workers.

## 2,100 Pledge They Won't Let Pete Down

By MICHAEL SINGER

Peter V. Cacchione is ill and he couldn't attend the King County Communist Party Campaign rally at the Hotel St. George last Tuesday night.

But 2,100 campaign workers — capacity for the hall—pledged to make up for Cacchione's illness and redouble their efforts to elect the Communist Councilman with an even higher vote than he received in 1943, over 60,000.

Stung by a general criticism that the Brooklyn Communist election campaign had thus far been marked by lethargy, the packed ballroom gave the alarmists a determined rebuke. They cheered Ben Davis' appeal to "climb another extra stairs, ring one extra doorbell" for Cacchione. They responded enthusiastically to Harry Grand, County campaign manager, who outlined the organizational steps necessary in the last lap of the drive.

### CACCHIONE'S LETTER

In a letter to the meeting, Cacchione regretted his absence from the "excitement and activity generated in this campaign." He could only "sit back and cheer from the sidelines hoping that others will make up for my absence," he wrote.

The letter touched off a spark. There was no doubt that Cacchione's illness, the absence of Brooklyn's best Communist campaigner, had forced a new awakening of the tremendous responsibilities involved for each Communist in Brooklyn. They accepted the challenge, and after Bob Thompson, who spoke for William Z. Foster, appearing in Washington to counter-attack the Rankin Committee's offensive, had finished the concluding address, they left—more determined, more confident.

### HOW DRIVE IS GOING

Reports from various Communists at the meeting revealed some interesting facts in the Brooklyn campaign. The canvassing indicates that the basic vote which elected Cacchione in 1943 is still there. However, the lack of consistently large mobilizations and day to day plugging may endanger this solid Cacchione sentiment.

"A canvassing army is needed," one discharged veteran said. "The pace is still too slow in the progressive organizations for Pete. And we still must organize an E. D. election apparatus."

The meeting at the Hotel St. George Tuesday night, however, should dispel talk of complacency in Brooklyn's Communist ranks.

## Lawyers Guild Backs Dickstein

The National Lawyers Guild yesterday endorsed all candidates for Supreme Court in the first and second judicial districts, with the exception of Judge John J. McCooley in the second district.

The first district takes in Manhattan and Bronx, with five candidates running for three vacancies. The second district takes in Kings, Queens, Richmond, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, with 11 candidates running to fill nine vacancies.

McCooley, who has the backing of all four parties in the field, was disapproved on the grounds that he lacks "judicial temperament" and has a "bias" against labor.

Special attention in the Guild analysis was paid to Rep. Samuel Dickstein, running as the Demo-

cratic-ALP candidate in the Manhattan-Bronx district. Dickstein was disapproved by the New York City Bar Association on the grounds that as a Congressman since 1922 he lacks bar experience. The Guild statement noted that his "wide public experience and continuous contact with the law in the making" eminently qualifies him, as a "public-spirited and socially-conscious legislator" for the bench.

Both candidates for county court in Queens were disapproved by the

Guild. The incumbent, Thomas Downs, who is running for reelection on the Democratic-ALP ticket, was criticized for lacking "judicial temperament" and for showing anti-labor bias. His GOP-Liberal Party opponent, Gustave W. M. Weiboldt, was also criticized for being anti-labor.

All candidates for municipal court in all boroughs who appeared before the committee were endorsed.

In an introductory statement, the Guild's Committee on the Judiciary, headed by Harold M. Phillips, said it was "agreeably impressed by the high calibre of most all of the can-

didates that appeared before it."

It credited an alert citizenry for this, and attacked efforts to have judges appointed instead of elected.

### Ask Daladier to Quit Election Campaign

PARIS, Oct. 17 (UP).—The newspaper *Matin* said today in a dispatch from Avignon, political headquarters of Edouard Daladier, that the former premier had refused a request by the Radical Socialist Party to cease his election campaign because of riots which have marked his recent speeches.

## Canvassers Find Bronx Behind Quill

By LOLA PAINE

The canvassers were coming back to their ALP club in the Bronx. They trekked up the stairs at 1723 Boston Road after hours of climbing the big Bronx apartment houses for O'Dwyer and Quill.

Results went something like this: Rose Thaler, an office worker, member of Local 61 of the Joint Board of Fur Dressers, said she saw almost 100 people. Sure, she went fast, she explained. But people took the literature and promised to read it. As for Quill, "They like the guy, they like his record," she told us.

Sylvia Kessler and Beatrice Tompkins of the same local said they also saw about 100 people apiece, and that the sentiment for Quill and O'Dwyer was "swell." Miss Kessler pointed out that admiration for Judge Jonah Goldstein, Dewey's candidate, was practically nil. In fact, she told about the only time Goldstein's name was mentioned. WILL THINK IT OVER

An old Jewish couple seemed surprised that this Jewish girl was not campaigning for Goldstein. But when they heard who was behind Goldstein, they promised to think it over and maybe vote for O'Dwyer and Quill.

Most canvassers admitted they didn't have much time for talking

since there was so much territory to cover. It seemed clear that the question of Goldstein in relation to the Jewish people needs a lot more talking about, especially in predominantly Jewish areas like this 7th A.D.

This ALP club covers only the upper half of the A.D. For the campaign's duration it is sponsored by the Fur Joint Council, which has assigned Oscar Ward, its welfare director, and Morris Breecher, business agent, as full-time workers here. Morris Angel, manager of Local 64, Joint Board of Fur Dressers and Dyers, is also a full-timer at the headquarters. Co-chairman with Ward is Myron Holtzman of the National Lawyers Guild.

### MORE NEEDED

Union representation for canvassing is quite varied. We found canvassers from the CIO electrical workers Local 456 in New Jersey; shoe workers Local 65; Fur, Floor and Shipping Clerks Local 125; Locals 64, 61 and 80 of the Joint Board of Fur Dressers and Dyers; the AFL hat workers; the pocketbook workers; and the AFL iron workers.

Representation, however, did not mean quantity. Although the campaign is expected to pick up, figures of around 15 or 20 canvassers nightly won't do the necessary job.

Gladys Berenholz, campaign manager, a fur finisher by trade, explained this.

"The canvassers are enthusiastic," she said, "but the actual work for the campaign started only last week. We expect to be busier as time goes on. We've covered a lot of territory despite the fact that we don't have many workers. In fact every election district is covered. But we do need more canvassers."

Other canvassers brought in their reports as 10 p.m. rolled around. We noted that only one mention was made of Newbold Morris, running for mayor on the No-Deal ticket.

"I reminded the voter that Morris backed Dewey last year," the canvasser said. "That was enough."

Jacob Bederman of Local 125, Fur, Floor and Shipping Clerks, figured he saw about 500 people last week—and he had a double reason for it. "My son, Lt. Albert Bederman, was a prisoner of war," he said. "Now that he's back he found out that Goldstein sent his teacher, Morris U. Schappes, to prison. Well, my boy is now on a honeymoon and I'm working for O'Dwyer—against Goldstein."

Asked how they thought the campaign was going, the full-timers explained that the work ahead is to

convince people that the issues are major ones, and that the candidates stand for or against the most important things happening today. They said too that the Democratic Party was not active enough in pulling out the neighborhood vote. Union activity in getting out the membership was slow in the beginning, they added, but it's beginning to step up now.

But above and beyond this, it was made clear, is the fact that ALP members and progressives in the neighborhood have to get going. Fifteen or 20 tired canvassers a night won't turn the registration into an overwhelming ALP vote. How can they?

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**Aid Job Rally:** Artists are shown readying the backdrop for a Communist Party rally in Philadelphia tomorrow (Friday) night. The meeting will be at the Philadelphia Town Hall at 8:30 p. m.

## Small School Fund Hit at City Hearing

By HARRY RAYMOND

Appropriations for public school construction in 1946 are woefully inadequate, the City Planning Commission was told yesterday. Representatives of community and civic groups, at a City Hall capital budget hearing, declared some schools are actually firetraps and many others are also not fit to house children.

Borough President James Burke of Queens led the attack on the \$20,000,000 school construction appropriation in the proposed \$303,000,000 capital budget. He suggested education should come first on the list of the city's postwar projects, and proposed that the school building fund be increased to \$80,000,000, the amount originally sought by the Board of Education.

Thirty representatives of the Flatbush Community League, most of them mothers of school kids—headed by Samuel A. Neuberger, their spokesman—told how 12 out of the 38 classrooms in PS 92 were in non-fireproof buildings.

Three of the 64 classes in this Brooklyn school, according to the League, are "floating classes" without a permanent home. The children get only 20 hours of education a week, whereas 25 hours is stipulated by law.

Neuberger called for greater use of frozen state funds. He asked for construction of two new schools in Flatbush.

Hugh Quinn, Democratic Councilman from Queens, urged that some of the money appropriated for the Idlewild Airport be transferred

to school construction.

Dr. John A. Bryson, director of the Citizens Budget Commission and spokesman for the city's big real estate interests, complained that the 1946 capital budget would add \$50,000,000 a year to the tax budget. Real estate, he said, could not absorb this.

## Ask Mayor's Aid In Lockout

Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia was called upon yesterday by the CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Workers Union, Local 65 to use his influence to help end a lockout of 60 union members at the Sandoz-Chemical Works. The union telegraphed the Mayor on the month-old lockout after the company had rejected efforts by the New York State Mediation Board and the U.S. Conciliation Service to arrange for their reinstatement.

The firm is reported to have informed Commissioner Burke of the Conciliation Service that it considers the union members discharged from work and that it sees no further need for conciliation conferences.

# E. 42nd St. Still a Foxhole For Vets--'News' Is the Foe

By BILL MARDO

Discharged GIs fired the first shot yesterday in the Battle Against the Daily News. As hundreds of interested spectators lined the sidewalks, and with Daily News employees themselves leaning out of fifth floor windows to watch, 15 war vets silently picketed the News Building at lunchtime yesterday.

"Hitler Isn't Dead; He's Writing for the Daily News"

—See O'Donnell's Column.

"Vets Recommend a Cluster to John O'Donnell's Iron Cross awarded to him by President Roosevelt."

So read some of the slogans emblazoned across the red, white and blue placards carried by members of the newly-launched Veterans Committee Against Discrimination. Soldiers strolling along E. 42 St.

stopped to read the signs, and many of them quickly stepped in line to refresh the marchers. Some teen-aged schoolkids passed by, and one of them grunted after scanning a picket placard: "The Daily News, huh. Their editorials belong in the Daily Rag."

When the picket line disbanded at 1 p. m. we went back to the Hotel Diplomat where the Veterans Committee Against Discrimination occupies some floor space on the mezzanine.

Capt. Larry Rivkin, a Flatbush boy who flew 37 missions with the Eighth Air Force in Europe, told us how the committee came into being.

"It started after O'Donnell wrote his column two weeks ago blaming American Jewish statesmen for the ouster of Gen. Patton," he recalled. "Some other vets and myself got together and decided to do something about the vicious stuff in the Daily News."

"We have no connections or backing from any other groups," Rivkin declared, "but I'm sure all decent progressive organizations in New York City will take action with us. At present we view ourselves as a strictly temporary committee, and the only program we've planned is to move vets into action against the News."

The dark-haired GI, on terminal

## Cacchione's Appeal Lauded by Dr. Wise

Dr. Stephen S. Wise yesterday thanked Councilman Peter V. Cacchione for his appeal for mass protests against the "Daily News." Councilman Cacchione supported the action of Dr. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, when he urged boycott of the "Daily News," which carried an attack upon the Jewish people in a recent column from its Washington correspondent.

Dr. Wise's wire to Cacchione said:

"I thank you for your telegram in which you appeal for mass protests against the 'Daily News.' I see that you understand that anti-Semitism is, as you rightly put it, 'a fascist gun aimed at the heart of American democracy and American security.'"

leave from the Army since Sept. 19, said he didn't know how many vets are in the organization. "It's a new outfit, spontaneously launched, and those in it now have only heard about us through word-of-mouth. Anyone interested in what we're doing will hear about us."

And just then, a Negro lad with a discharge button on his lapel, walked over, said he'd seen the picket line and wanted to join up.

## 'Oust Bilbo' Rally Here Today

Labor has joined with many prominent organizations representing various faiths and races in endorsing the "Oust Bilbo Rally" today, Thursday, Oct. 18, Pythian Temple grand ballroom, 130 W. 70 St.

The meeting, sponsored by the Citizens Committee of the Upper West Side, has been endorsed of the Meat Cutters Union, Local 623, AFL, the Transport Workers Union, CIO, and the Negro Labor Victory Committee.

Edward Bykowski, the Polish-American Catholic Purple Heart veteran, who is picketing Bilbo in Washington, will be one of the principal speakers at the rally. Accompanying him as speakers will be Leonard Golditch, Josephine Piccolo, Critt McSwain and Dolly Mason, all of whom were insulted by Bilbo in his notorious letters, and who have since joined Bykowski on the picket line in Washington.

Senator Robert F. Wagner (D-NY) in a letter to Stella Holt, executive secretary of the Committee, lashed out at those who, in their speeches and writings spread racial hatred and discord. He also pledged his efforts toward achieving "full unity" here in the United States.

## Unify Armed Force

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson today called for unification of the armed forces in testimony to the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

# Community Leaders Ask U. S. Action on Florida Lynching

By EUGENE GORDON

How can the United States pretend to give "world leadership" when she stands mute and apparently unconcerned before lynchings? That in substance was the answer to the question put by the Daily Worker yesterday to trade union and community leaders on the lynching last Thursday of Jesse Payne, Negro farm laborer, at Monticello, Fla.

"Until the United States cleans her own backyard of 'incidents' like the Florida lynching," said Mrs. Mabel Staupers, president of the National Association of Colored Nurses, "Germany and Japan should find it most difficult to believe in the sincerity of the democracy we're trying to give them."

Moran Weston, field secretary, Negro Labor Victory Committee, paraphrased Frederick Douglass to the effect that "the conscience of

America must be aroused to accept responsibility for the lynchings, beatings and discrimination against her citizens." These outrages "are all the more destructive of the world's good will," Weston said, "because the United States presumably helped to destroy fascist manifestations in Europe."

Weston added that "fortunately, most of organized labor, and especially the CIO," is alive to its responsibility "in helping to stamp out such manifestations of the fascist spirit in America."

Thelma Dale, acting executive secretary of the National Negro Congress, said the lynching showed that the "old symbols of second-

class citizenship for the Negro in the United States" persist, "despite the war against fascism," which we ended "just recently in joyous celebrations," and "despite our boasting that we hold moral leadership of the world."

The Negro and the white people "who served in the armed forces and in the battle of production," Miss Dale said, "will not be cheated of the victory they helped achieve." She continued:

"The federal government must assume responsibility for bringing about justice in this and other situations where state officials take no measures to protect the rights and lives of the people. The anti-lynching bill, now bottled up in the House Judiciary Committee, must be forced out by sufficient signatures on Discharge Petition No. 3."



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## Eisenhower on Germany

EVERYONE will agree that there are two keys to the solution of the German problem: one is the necessity of a unified application of the Potsdam decisions by the great powers; the other is a greater unity of German anti-fascists against substantial remnants of fascism.

On both scores, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's report to the President is an amazing and unfortunate document. If this is truly Eisenhower's view, it begins to reveal the shortcomings of a man who has stood head and shoulders above all American generals. If it is simply an accommodation to the prejudices of men like Robert Murphy, it shows how dangerous American policy is becoming.

Eisenhower complains that German Communists are a very active factor in the four-party administration of Berlin. He deplores the united front of Social Democrats, Communists, Christian Democrats and Liberals. He takes the Soviet occupation to task for helping the Socialist-Communist alliance.

But why should any democratic American be afraid if the German anti-fascists are finally working together? Doesn't everyone know that the great tragedy of the German working class was the deep division between the Social Democrats and the Communists? If this division is at last being overcome—one of the decisive truths about present-day Germany—it is something to cheer about.

And if the division between the workers and the middle classes is also being overcome, this too is a powerful blow against the remains of Hitlerism.

### What Eisenhower Missed Completely

In fact, the anti-fascist united front, which is growing everywhere in Germany, is exactly the form through which German democrats are at last helping to regenerate their country. This process must not be judged by the supposedly holy characteristics of "western democracy." It must be judged in the light of German history. Eisenhower muffs that completely.

He also discovers that if the Berliners could vote today, they would not vote for a Communist majority. But the Communists do not claim to be in a majority. What is more, they are not working for socialism in any immediate perspective, as their own manifestoes declare.

But why should the situation be judged today in terms of voting? If it were a question of votes, the reactionary remnants of fascism might conceivably get a majority. So what would that prove? It would prove only that a large mass of people are still poisoned by Hitlerism. The job of the active, conscious minority is to lead the people away from the past, which cannot be done by formal voting today, but by organization and education, by democratic political activity.

Surely, the Russians cannot be accused of "softness" to the Germans; it is not from Soviet policy that the danger of reviving German imperialism arises. If the Soviet authorities are discriminating in favor of anti-fascists, and giving them opportunities to reach the German masses, it is to undermine Hitlerism.

By attacking that, Gen. Eisenhower simply encourages generals like George S. Patton. He encourages the Nazis and their ideas. He places a big questionmark over the whole purpose and practice of the American occupation.

## Lynch Justice in Florida

THE killing of Jesse Payne at Madison, Fla., was not "just another lynching" for the "usual crime." Although the usual cry of "rape" was raised against this young Negro farm laborer, there was obviously something bigger involved. His murder was a blow at the developing unity between Negro and white workers.

Payne was removed from the lynch-proof state prison and taken over the roads to an unguarded one-story shack "jail" at Madison and left there unguarded.

State officials from Gov. Caldwell, down to Sheriff Davis, continue a cynical it's-none-of-your-business attitude toward citizens who demand punishment of the lynchers.

It is frequently asserted that the difference between Hitler's wholesale lynchings in Europe and such fascist manifestations as that at Madison is that Hitler's crimes were engineered and sanctioned by the state.

But we know of no way whereby a state may disassociate itself from such fascist acts except by condemning them openly and seeking out the guilty. Florida has done neither. Nor has the United States government.

And the anti-lynching bill, HR 1698, is still bottled up in the House Judiciary Committee by chairman Hatton Sumners of Texas.

LET HIM IN



## Admit Smith Meddling in Lawsuit

By VIRGINIA GARDNER  
WASHINGTON.

EVEN some members of the usually pliant Smith Committee are unenthusiastic about the committee's persistent lobbying on behalf of the rich and influential R. G. Lassiter, of Florida and North Carolina, both before and after the Supreme Court ruled against him in a triple damage OPA case.

Lassiter has been in close contact with Hyman I. Fishbach, committee counsel, and Mrs. Martha Crowley, clerk of the committee. The advantage of this contact to Lassiter is that the committee has used its official status to obtain confidential material from OPA bearing on his case.

Whether Lassiter will succeed in getting the Smith committee to investigate his case against the OPA all over again, or whether he must rest content with using the committee staff to obtain confidential government information, and other services, is not known.

Legally there is nothing to prevent the committee from having repeated hearings, as well as voluminous correspondence, on a case, even after the Supreme Court has passed on it and upheld, as in this case, the government agency involved.

But if the committee again goes into the case of the Seminole Rock and Sand Co., headed by Lassiter and later operating under another name, Seminole Rock Products, it will be with the disapproval even of a conservative like Rep. John Jennings (R-Tenn.). Jennings told this reporter:

"That Lassiter case is a private case. It's just the case of a man who wanted something he didn't get. He lost a lawsuit, that's all. Well, I've lost a lot of lawsuits. I wish I could run to some committee with all of them I've lost.

Can't Explain Committee's Interest

"No," he said, "we won't go into that case. We have other things to do. This is just one

man's case. It's not of general interest."

When asked why the committee ever did take up the case, Jennings appeared at a loss to explain. Actually, despite the incoherent decision of US District Judge Alexander Akerman of Florida in dismissing OPA's treble-damage suit for \$129,707 and costs, the Supreme Court in an 8-1 decision found the matter a clear case of violating the firm's ceiling price. When OPA appealed the District Court's decision and then the Court of Appeals' decision, Lassiter took the matter to the Smith Committee.

His first emissary in this connection was a newspaper columnist, Edith Ballard of the Miami Daily News, who made of Lassiter a cause celebre and ran about Washington inveighing against OPA until she found the Smith committee's broad shoulder figuratively to weep upon.

Lassiter, who also owns various tungsten mines, the Southern Aggregates Corp., in Raleigh, N. C., had contracted in October, 1941, to furnish stone to the Seaboard Air Line Railway on demand at 60 cents a ton, according to the Supreme Court decision. In March, 1942, the company made a delivery.

The Story of A Pure Deal

But in January, 1942, Lassiter's company, the Seminole Rock & Sand Co., contracted to sell crushed stone to the U. P. Loftis Co., a government contractor engaged in building the St. Lucie dam, and Lassiter's price here was \$1.50 a ton.

Delivery was made to Loftis in August, 1942, of stone of the same grade as that received by Seaboard, and the price charged Loftis was \$1.50. Later, the Lassiter company made a contract to sell to the Seaboard company at from 85 cents to \$1. OPA said that since the highest price charged during the crucial month of March, 1942 (the month chosen for fixing its General Maximum Price Regulation) was 60 cents, more a ton for rock, Lassiter

should be enjoined from violating MPR No. 1880.

What hurt Lassiter about the Supreme Court ruling, obviously, was not the threat of losing \$129,000 in treble damages to the government, mere bagatelle to him, but the fact that if allowed to continue shipments of rock to the St. Lucie dam at his rates he could have been getting 90 cents more than his legal ceiling price. This would have mounted to considerable in taxpayers' cash.

But Judge Akerman, who pleaded that as a receiver for the Seaboard Air Line Railway he had struggled to make it a success, and "to protect the investors," then proceeded to argue, in his decision, that the railway could get ballast from almost no other source than Lassiter.

"Whether in war or not in war, we cannot make this defendant go ahead and furnish rock to the Seaboard for ballast at a loss," he said, completely ignoring the high price Lassiter expected to get from the tax-supported dam construction. Therefore, he said, he found it "to the interest of the war effort" to deny the injunction.

Voorhis Would 'Rather Not Say'

When this reporter asked Rep. Jerry Voorhis (D-Cal) if it appeared to him the committee was going to begin again on the Lassiter case, he said it would surprise him if this were so.

Asked what he thought about the role played by committee counsel Hyman I. Fishbach, he shook his head and said: "I'd rather not say." Then, rather defensively, he continued to say that he was not able to spend as much time as he should looking into the committee's affairs, "as I did on the Dies committee, when I worked right in the office going over things."

Rep. Voorhis eventually quit the Dies committee, but not before his reputation for liberalism had shed a certain protective mantle over the committee for a time.



# Today's Guest Column

THIS is a period of important history. And whether it is a question of international politics or of a city election, it is the people, the workers, who determine the shape of history. This is worth remembering as we go into the home stretch of the New York election campaign. There are just 18 precious days left to do the job of getting out the vote which will guarantee the victory of Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Peter V. Cacchione and other progressive people's candidates.

I want to talk about the election campaigns of two Brooklyn councilmanic candidates in particular—Peter V. Cacchione and Bertram L. Baker.

There have been disturbing reports that our campaign forces, especially over in Brooklyn, have been too few and too slow in getting into action. The pep and drive which two years ago gave Pete the highest number of first choice votes of any councilmanic candidate in the city has been lacking this year. This let-down, attributable perhaps to over-confidence or other psychological factors



by Alphaeus Hunton

—but certainly not to any decline in Pete's top-flight record of achievement in the City Council—must be overcome. And quickly.

The failure to reelect Pete Cacchione—a possibility which must be frankly faced—must mean the personal shame and disgrace of every Communist Party member of Brooklyn. And more than that, it would mean a heavy and irreparable loss to all those for whom and with whom Pete has labored as City Councilman—the trade unions, the Negro and other minority people, and all liberal and progressive forces in the borough. That must not happen!

In the final home-stretch drive of the Brooklyn campaign, a lot of lost ground must be made up in order to bring Pete home on top. It's up to every able-bodied one of us to shake a leg getting over to the campaign headquarters of his district—with as many workers as he can carry along—and get busy on the job that must be done. Let's do that now. Then there'll be no occasion for gloomy post-mortems on Nov. 7 about what ought to have been done.

## An Appeal for Cacchione And Baker in Brooklyn

AS A BROOKLYNITE myself, I'm also particularly concerned about the election of another councilmanic candidate from the home of the Dodgers—Bertram L. Baker. Brooklyn has never yet sent a Negro to the City Council—or to the state legislature either, for that matter. There have been well-qualified Negro candidates running in past elections, but they have failed to get the unified support of the Negro voters of all parties or adequate support on a borough-wide scale.

This year, in the candidacy of Baker, a Democratic nominee with ALP endorsement, there is an excellent opportunity of overcoming both these obstacles and of enabling the large Negro population of Brooklyn to send its own representative to the City Council—as it rightfully should. But it can only be done—as it was done and will be done again in Manhattan in electing Ben Davis—with the help of all the progressive forces of the borough.

Brooklyn must reelect Peter V. Cacchione and elect Bertram L. Baker. Greater New York needs two Negro Councilmen as well as two Communist Councilmen. So let's shake a leg! History is ours to make.

## Listen Here,



### Mr. Editor

#### Criticizes Coverage on Army Discharge System

Bronx.

Editor, Daily Worker:

While home on furlough I have read the Worker daily. The lack of coverage given to the Army release system is tragic. Further inquiry showed that articles have appeared in dribbles in previous issues of the paper.

The GIs are fed up with the slowness of routine. Their families need them home. There can be a quicker more efficient release system. Yes, there were a few articles on this topic but no consistent follow up as in PM. Has the Daily forgotten us who are still in?

It isn't too late to get a guy like Art Shields to dig into this business as he's in Washington anyway.

Hope we get some results.

A SERVICEMAN.

#### Birobidjan And Palestine

Manhattan.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I'm very much interested in the articles you had in The Worker on Sept. 23 and 30 by Mary Himoff on Palestine and the Jews. Several friends of mine overseas are also interested in this topic.

Also I would like to read a good article on the similarities and differences between Birobidjan and Palestine.

IDA MOR.

#### On School Council's Proposals

Brooklyn.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I wish to call your attention to the article Probe of Schools in Brooklyn Negro Area Bares Jim-crow Neglect, published in your paper on Oct. 11. At our last executive meeting the survey and proposed actions were voted upon and sent to the press as well as members of the Board of Education, Mayor and many others. However, item "g" as it appeared in your paper is an error.

It should have read: "Immediate removal of anti-Semitic teachers like May Quinn and the prosecution of charges against any teachers who show anti-Semitic or anti-Negro bias—this includes all personnel to the highest level in our school system."

GOLDYE H. KATZ, Secretary of the Schools Council, Bedford, Stuyvesant and Williamsburgh.

[Ed. Note—The Daily Worker story under point "g" includes a reference to anti-Negro bias reported in P.S. 44 last winter. The P.S. 44 incident was not referred to in the Council's proposals for improvement in schools under survey.]

#### People Not Proud of Him!

Baltimore, Md.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Senator Radcliffe may be proud of the knifing that he gave the Wagner-Murray Full Employment Bill, as indicated by an article in the Daily Worker of Oct. 14. However, when Sen. Radcliffe comes up for reelection next year, I think you are going to find that a lot of us in these parts are not proud of him.

G. C. HART.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

## Views On Labor News

JUDGING by the Paris conference of the World Federation of Trade Unions and the CIO's visit to the Soviet Union workers think much differently than statesmen like James F. Byrnes and Ernest Bevin.

The steps taken at Moscow to launch the American - Soviet Trade Union Committee, to promote a closer tie between the workers of the two respective countries, are certainly very much in contrast with the chain of anti-Soviet steps that our State Department has advanced in recent days. The same holds for the British workers. Bevin the Laborite so far has found warmer support for his foreign policy among the Tories than among the workers. And the same could be said of De Gaulle, whose "western bloc" ideas are no more popular among the 5,000,000 French trade unionists.

There is a basic reason for the contrast. Deliberations of governments are still mainly studded with conflicts between imperialist groups, and between imperialists and anti-imperialists. Capitalist statesmanship has been very much shaken and disturbed recently, especially due to the worldwide common struggle against fascism and elimination of such sources of aggression as Hitler Germany, Mussolini's Italy and the Japan that was. But, as was so well shown at San Francisco



by George Morris

and London, the old conflicts remain a powerful influence.

At Paris, delegates representing labor organizations with 75,000,000 in 69 countries have agreed unanimously on the essential problems facing the world today. There it wasn't just a matter of statesmanship, although the important role of Sidney Hillman, Sir Walter Citrine and Vassili Kuznetsov in reconciling differences that did appear, should not be overlooked. Far more fundamental is the fact that the Paris conference rested on the working class—which has no conflicting interests—the one class which is best able to express unity and progress for the world. Paris foreshadowed the world security of the future, of a world when capitalism will have given way to socialism, a social order in which the working class leads.

The WFTU is a new force for world progress. By unanimous decision the delegates decided to knock at the door of the United Nations Organization for a place to labor in its machinery. Every affiliate, many of which are already very influential factors in their respective governments, will redouble home pressure for recognition of world labor. We are only at the initial stage of this process.

As we view the unfolding picture, even those of us who are hardened to realities in the AFL, are struck with amazement at the

## The Difference Between London and Paris

reactionary role of its top leaders. Secretary-treasurer George Meany delivered a speech before British labor's convention just two weeks before the Paris conference opened. He told the British that unions have a right to "commend or condemn" action by the government on problems. "But," he added, "we emphatically do not believe that any international trade union gathering has any such right in so far as our country is concerned." He further said that membership in an international body that would advise our government on problems is "unthinkable." To make himself perfectly clear he denounced the projected new international as a "super-state of labor designed to influence the economic and political affairs of all nations of the world."

He was speaking in line with an AFL executive council statement issued last March 16 which said:

"As citizens we have a right and duty to express our views to our President, but to negotiate with the citizens of other nations on the terms of international political and economic commitments goes far beyond the legitimate functions of trade unions or the privileges of citizenship."

Those are plain words against the most elementary concept of internationalism. It is a formula for worldwide laborite isolation. Agreement, on that basis, could be reached only on nicely-worded platitudes. That is precisely what the defunct IFTU was and that is what the WFTU buried.

## Soviet Elections Are Direct and Secret

MOSCOW

by N. J. Kupritz

A PRIMARY feature of the democracy of the Soviet state system is the fact that all government bodies, from the lowest to the highest, are elective.

Elections in the USSR are universal.

The right to vote is enjoyed by all citizens who have reached the age of 18, irrespective of race, nationality, religion, educational qualifications, social origin, property status or past activities.

A citizen living in a locality temporarily has the right to take part in the elections on an equal footing with permanent residents. Women enjoy the same rights as men. The franchise is extended to all persons in the armed forces.

Elections in the USSR are equal.

Each citizen has but one vote, and all citizens participate in the elections equally.

Elections in the USSR are direct.

All government bodies, from village and town Soviet to the Supreme Soviet, are elected by direct vote of all citizens.

The voting at elections is secret.

THE Soviet of the Union, or the chamber representing the interests of all the multi-national people of the USSR inclusive, is elected on the basis of one deputy for every 300,000 population.

The Federal Chamber, or the Soviet of Nationalities, reflects and takes care of the

specific interests of the various nationalities of the USSR. Each of the 16 Union Republics constituting the USSR is represented in this chamber by 25 deputies. Other nationality units forming part of the Union Republics are also directly represented in this chamber: Autonomous Republics by 11 deputies each, Autonomous Regions by five deputies each and nationality areas by one deputy each. There is no difference in the qualifications of candidates for the Soviet of the Union and the Soviet of Nationalities.

Both chambers of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR are elected for the same term (four years) and the elections take place at the same time.

The president of the Soviet Union is a collegium—the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR, elected at a joint session of the two chambers, and accountable to the Supreme Soviet of the USSR.

Members of the Soviet legislative bodies may not be prosecuted or arrested without the consent of the respective Supreme Soviet and, in the period between sessions, without the consent of its Presidium.

LISTE of voters are drawn up by village, settlement and town Soviets and are con-

spicuously posted where everyone can read them.

The right to nominate candidates is secured by a public association: party organizations, trade unions, cooperative societies, youth organizations, cultural and educational societies, etc. This right is exercised both by central and local organizations and by general meetings of workers, farmers, office employees and Red Army men.

The electoral area committees register and enter all legally nominated candidates on the ballots, which are printed in the language or languages of the population of the given electoral area.

Every organization which has nominated a candidate and every Soviet citizen has the right to campaign for a candidate at mass meetings, in the press and by other means.

Sick and aged persons who find it difficult to walk to the election precinct are provided with means of transportation at government expense.

Voting is secret, each elector personally casting his ballot in a strictly isolated booth. The voter leaves on the ballot the name of the candidates for whom he wants to vote, crossing out the rest.

Votes are counted first by the precinct committees and then by the electoral area committees. Representatives of public organizations and the press have a right to be present at the counting of the ballots.



# De Gaullist Cardinal Aided Gestapo

## CP REVEALS MRP LEADER HELPED DENOUNCE PATRIOTS

By DEREK KARTUN  
Special to the Daily Worker

PARIS, Oct. 17.—Cardinal Suhard, Catholic dignitary with great influence in the MRP, the Catholic political party closely associated with Gen. Charles DeGaulle, was revealed today as a prominent collaborator.

He was responsible for denouncing many members of the Resistance movement, according to the Communist newspaper, L'Humanite.

The fighting Communist daily reproduced the photograph of an

order issued by the Paris Municipal Council during the occupation in which the people were called upon to denounce members of the Resistance to the Gestapo.

The list of signatures on this order is headed by the notorious

Fernand de Brinon, the Vichy ambassador, and includes the name of Cardinal Suhard.



DUCLOS

The Mouvement Republicain Populaire, the full title of the MRP, is being dubbed here by L'Humanite as the "Mouvement pour la Renaissance de Petainisme" (Movement for the Renaissance of Petainism) because of its Vichyite connections and present activities.

Several other signatories to the pro-fascist document are running in the current elections for various Rightist parties.

Another sensation this week was the speech of Jacques Duclos, the Communist leader, quoted from the bankers' newspaper, Journal de Bourse, in which he shows that the four main French banks formed a cartel back in 1941 with the German I. G. Farbenindustrie for the joint control of French industry.

He lists the Societe Generale, the Banque Paris et des Pays Bas, the Banque de L'Union Parisienne and the Credit Lyonnais in this cartel arrangement.

This revelation is held significant for the present moment, when de Gaullist circles are pressing for control of the Ruhr and the Rhineland, and Gen. de Gaulle himself is talking of "reconciliation" with the "westerners" and "Europeans" in Germany.

As the Sunday elections approach, more and more posters and lists of candidates are appearing on the billboards. Some are handwritten because the constant interruption of electric service is holding up the printers.

The buoyant tone of the democratic press contrasts with the mutterings from the Right, as the latter have suddenly realized the thrashing they are going to get at the polls.

## Mexican CP Leader Is Denied a Visa by U. S.

By FRANCISCO ZAPATA  
Special to the Daily Worker

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 17.—Dionisio Encina, general secretary of the Communist Party, has been refused a visa on his official passport by the U. S. Consulate in Mexico City.

Encina intended to travel over American territory on his way to Paris, where he was to attend the World Labor Congress as delegate for the Mine, Metal and Similar Workers union.

After lengthy negotiations, the visa was refused on the grounds that "there is a law in the United States that prohibits the entry of Communists."

On previous occasions Dionisio Encina was denied a visa because the consulate was supposedly waiting for instructions from the State

Department. However, when the Communist Party wrote directly to the State Department, it denied having received any such communication.

La Vox de Mexico, Communist newspaper, commented as follows: "... Such an attitude by the American Consulate contradicts the good neighbor relations that should guide all its dealings; it constitutes an unfriendly gesture towards Mexico, inasmuch as Encina holds an official passport."

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## Greek Regent in Premier Post Until Plebiscite

ATHENS, Oct. 17 (UP).—Archbishop Damaskinos, Regent of Greece, temporarily assumed the post of Premier today, until a plebiscite can determine whether the Greek people want a return of King George III's monarchy. He took over the post when efforts to form a government had failed during the past week.

LONDON, Oct. 17 (UP).—Minister of State Philip J. Noel Baker told the House of Commons today that Britain would accept Greece's vote on restoration of the monarchy "whatever the result may be."

## CIO Leaders Laud USSR

MOSCOW, Oct. 17 (UP).—Two Congress of Industrial Organization leaders issued a statement today praising the Soviet Union and its war effort after visiting the Leningrad battlefields and observing industrial reconstruction there.

Joseph Curran, CIO vice-president and president of the National Maritime Union, said: "When we return home we will tell Americans of your glorious city."

James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, said that "unity and solidarity of all peace-loving nations are essential for world peace. This is particularly true regarding the Soviet and American peoples."

"Mankind's fate depends on our unity. The Americans highly respect the Soviet people."

## Quill Hits Lax Probe of Quinn

Councilman Michael J. Quill yesterday warned against a whitewash of the May A. Quinn case by the City Board of Education.

The appointment of "still another committee" to investigate this teacher, accused of spreading fascism in her classroom, is "all that has happened" in the three years parents, teachers and organizations have demanded that Miss Quinn be brought to trial, he said.

The latest "investigation" was denounced on Tuesday by Assemblyman Philip J. Schupler. Schupler charged that the committee composed of Asst. Superintendents Arthur Bowie, Antoinette Riordan and Samuel M. Levenson had conducted only a 10-minute questioning of seven of the 14 teachers who had accused Miss Quinn of un-Americanism. This is the "investigation" upon which Dr. John E. Wade, superintendent of schools, is expected to make recommendation at the Oct. 24 meeting of the Board of Education.

Quill called on the people of the city to demand action.

"I ask that they write their councilmen, insisting that my resolution 232, calling for May Quinn's trial and dismissal if found guilty, be brought to the floor for a vote," he said. "This resolution has lain in the City Affairs Committee, of which Anthony Digiovanna of Brooklyn is chairman, since July 24."

## Soviet Congress Seats Increased

MOSCOW, Oct. 17 (UP).—The number of seats in both houses of the Supreme Soviet has been increased for the forthcoming elections in order to provide representation for the Baltic republics, Bessarabia, the recently acquired sub-Carpathian Ukraine and the Western Ukraine, it was disclosed today.

Seats in the Union Council have been increased from 569 to 656 and seats in the Council of Nationalities from 574 to 631.

# Australia Aids Striking Indonesian Seamen Sail Home on British Ship

By Cable to Allied Labor News

SYDNEY, Oct. 17.—The Australian labor government took an unprecedented diplomatic action this week by allowing 702 striking Indonesian seamen and political internees to return to the Netherlands Indies.

The action followed representations from Australian trade unions and other labor and liberal bodies who are supporting the Indonesians in their fight against the restoration of Dutch colonial rule.

[The stoppage of Dutch ships headed for Indonesia was extended Tuesday to New Zealand, where the National Watersiders Union barred all cargoes for the islands, and loading gangs walked off the Blue Funnel liner, Alcinous. The Netherlands government demonstrated an apparent lack of con-

science in Dutch colonial rule by providing the Indonesians with passage on the British ship to ports in Sumatra, Java and Timor chosen by the Indonesians. An Australian representative will accompany the Indonesians home to ensure their safety.

The government's action in returning the Indonesian strikers leaves Dutch ships without crews. A boycott by Australian dock workers of all Dutch ships, in effect for several weeks, has prevented the loading of cargo, which it is charged would be used to suppress the Indonesian independence movement.

Before the "Esperance Bay" sailed from here this week-end, the Indo-

nesians held a meeting at the Sydney Town Hall to thank the Australian people officially for the "magnificent aid to our struggle."

## Bank of Finland

### To Seek U. S. Loan

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 17 (UP).—Sakari Tuomioja, president of the Bank of Finland, is planning to visit the United States soon to discuss with American financial leaders the possibilities of a loan to Finland, it was reported today.

He recently visited Moscow to negotiate with the head of the Russian State Bank.

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## LOW DOWN

Kilpatrick Back at Garden  
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By Nat Low

Brig. Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick is out of the Army and has resumed his presidency of Madison Square Garden, thus placing friend Ned Irish back into the ranks, and while Irish's demotion is good news for most people, it isn't very satisfactory, for Kilpatrick is not much of an improvement over Nedso.

One of Kilpatrick's first acts yesterday was to issue a statement in which he said that American sports promoters have a tremendous responsibility to the public. "The 13,000,000 Americans who were in the armed service have become sports-minded and now America is on the verge of a terrific renaissance in sports. It's up to promoters to see that this interest is not abused—to see that sports are kept clean."

That's a fine enough statement of policy and few could pick an argument with it—but I'm afraid it sounds too much like the old Kilpatrick double-talk. What abuses does Kilpatrick have in mind, and why doesn't he mention one of the biggest, his very own basketball scandal that last season almost wrecked collegiate basketball and practically drove Ned Irish into hiding?

Is Kilpatrick going to clean up his own house first by giving the game back to the schools instead of exploiting collegiate athletics?

That's one aspect of it. And how about the burning question of democracy in the Garden basketball setup? A good percentage of those 13,000,000 Americans Kilpatrick refers to are Negroes. Are they going to be allowed to play basketball in the Garden? Are schools like Howard, Virginia Union, Tuskegee going to be scheduled?

Less talk, Mr. Kilpatrick, and more action.

After all, you too are a promoter and some of those responsibilities you speak of are also your own.

Joe Louis is on his way to Los Angeles where he will rest until January. Joe will stop at Chicago for a day or two and then will continue his trip to the coast where he will make several radio appearances.

Social Note: Albert "Bummy" Davis has been signed to engage in the lovely art of fisticuffing with Morris Rief at Madison Square Garden Dec. 21.

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The GI who recently pitched the Third Army to the American Army championship in Berlin was none other than Pvt. Leon Day, the great Negro hurler of the Newark Eagles who is considered to be one of the finest pitchers in the country. Day beat a team composed of a lot of former white major leaguers and won the unanimous praise of the opposition as well as the 40,000 GI fans who saw the game.

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The daffiest of all the Dodgers started back to his California turkeys tonight after a brief wartime hitch as pinch-hitter and morale-booster for the ball club that first pronounced him washed up 14 years ago.

Regretfully, the Dodgers handed old Floyd Cave (Babe) Herman his unconditional release. The one-time fall guy of Flatbush, now in his unmentionable forties, took it in the same stride as all his tribulations on the diamond.

Dodger fans saw Herman in a new role—that of chief buck-upper of a club that ran the emotional gamut from highest glee to glum as glue in the season just past. His best work was with 17-year-old Tom Brown, the rookie shortstop who suffered extreme depression after a bad day.

"Heck, kid, you'll become a great ball-player one day," old Babe would say to the unhappy Brown. Then he would tell the kid a rollicking story of the old Dodgers and Brown would come out of his slump next day.

Babe insists that many of the wild tales of the Dodgers under Wilbert Robinson have become embroidered with time but he admits that most of them had a basis of truth.

His favorite is the one about manager Robbie who boasted that opposing teams couldn't steal his signals because he stood behind the dugout post when he flashed them.

"Well Robbie, we can't see 'em either," the Dodger players told their boss. "Broad as you are, that post hides you from everybody."

"But Robbie only had three signs and sometimes he would flash one of them absent-mindedly when he didn't mean it," Herman said.

"They used to beat us on the bases; they never would have got us out otherwise. Why, I was hitting around .400, Glenn Wright was hitting .355 and Rube Bressler .350."

## Trippi Says Army Held Him in U. S.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 17 (UP).—All-American Charlie Trippi who was discharged from the Army last week after 30 months' service in the United States disclosed today that the Army ordered him held in this country to play football.

Trippi, in an interview with the Atlanta Journal, said he had requested overseas duty last winter but was ignored.

The former star halfback for the 3rd Airforce Gremlins (Tampa, Fla.) explained that his commanding officer could not send him overseas because attached to his Army file was a card reading: "Frozen—hold for 1945 football project."

He requested overseas duty, he said, when 15 members of the Gremlins' football squad were given foreign assignments.

"I wanted to get the thing over with and quit sitting around," he said.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—The War Department tonight had no comment on grid star Charlie Trippi's statement that he was "frozen" in this country to play football during his 30 months service in the Air Force.

Military observers knew of no Air Forces regulation under which a man qualified for overseas duty could be held in this country to play football. They said that a man who wanted an overseas assignment could get one by writing to Air Forces headquarters here.

## Negro Congress to Meet in Detroit

The National Negro Congress will hold its 10th anniversary convention in Detroit in the spring of 1946, the congress announces.

The convention will be dedicated to the struggle for jobs, military equality, and to political action in the 1946 elections.

### 11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—Fred Waring Show  
WOR—News; Talks; Music  
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman  
WABC—Amanda—Sketch  
WMCA—News; Music Box  
WQXR—Alma Detlinger, News  
11:15-WOR—Tello-Test—Quiz  
WABC—Second Husband  
11:30-WEAF—Barry Cameron—Sketch  
WOR—Success Magazine  
WJZ—News; Music  
WABC—A Woman's Life—Sketch  
WQXR—Concert Music  
11:45-WEAF—David Hum  
WOR—Talk—Victor Lindiahr  
WJZ—Ted Malone—Talk  
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—Don Goddard, News  
WOR—William Lang, News  
WJZ—Glamour Manor  
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat  
12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNellis  
WOR—Talk—Richard Maxwell  
WABC—Big Sister  
12:30-WEAF—Jack Smith, Songs  
WOR—News; the Answer Man  
WJZ—News; Women's Exchange  
WABC—Helen Trent  
12:45-WEAF—Studio Music  
WABC—Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Musical Appetizer  
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage  
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
1:15-WOR—Jack Bundy's Album  
WJZ—Constance Bennett, Comment  
WABC—Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR—Lopez Orchestra  
WJZ—Clara Drake  
WABC—Margaret Macdonald  
WMCA—The Captain Jim Healy  
1:45-WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News  
WOR—John J. Anthony  
WABC—Young Dr. Malone  
WMCA—Recorded Music

### 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light  
WOR—Cedric Foster, News  
WJZ—John B. Kennedy  
WABC—Two on a Clue  
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children  
WOR—Talk—Jane Cowl  
WJZ—Ethel and Albert  
WABC—Perry Mason—Sketch  
2:30-WEAF—Woman in White  
WOR—Queen for a Day  
WJZ—The Fitzgeralds  
WABC—Rosemary—Sketch  
WQXR—Concert Orchestra  
2:45-WEAF—Hymns of All Churches  
WABC—Tena and Tim  
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America  
WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WJZ—Best Sellers—Drama  
WABC—Time to Remember  
WQXR—News; Request Music  
3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins  
WABC—Off the Record  
3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young  
WOR—Rambling With Gambling  
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated  
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness  
WABC—Landi Trio, Songs  
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife  
WOR—John Gambling, News  
WJZ—Jack Berch Show  
WABC—House Party  
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas  
WOR—Jay Johnson, Songs  
WJZ—Westbrook Van Voorhis  
4:25-WABC—News Reports

## Conn Refuses to Sign Without Tuneup Bout

By PHIL GORDON

Billy Conn, Number 1 contender for Joe Louis' heavyweight championship, yesterday refused to sign a contract to meet Joe unless he is allowed tuneup bouts for the big battle.

In a fracas which will undoubtedly lend more glamor and publicity to the Battle of the Century between Louis and himself, Conn shouted—and stomped in Mike Jacobs' offices at 20th Century Sporting Club and said, "Nothing doing."

Johnny Ray, Conn's manager, said he thought Billy needed at least three tune-up bouts before getting ready for the Louis go next June. Louis, who signed his contract Monday, readily agreed not to engage in any tune-up bouts, but Conn and Ray were adamant on the point.

Ray contends that Conn, who has been in the army over three years and had not had a real bout in all that time, was much in need of a few bouts with minor opponents.

Reporters were not allowed to enter Jacobs' office as the controversy raged but from vantage points outside they could hear Ray, Conn and Jacobs shouting back and forth in an argument that lasted more than half an hour.

Conn finally came out, looking a little ruffled. He said he was feeling good and seemed to be in good enough shape. He said he weighed about 190 pounds, 16 more than he weighed when he met Louis the first time on June 18, 1941.

While the boys battle it out, the interest in the fight only grows by leaps and bounds. Of course, it is easy to understand why Jacobs wants no part of tune-up fights. Should either Louis or Conn look bad in these fights it would allegedly hurt the gate. And if either of them suffered any kind of an injury about eight million smack-

## Rossides May Not Play Against Colgate

Columbia's hopes for continuing its football winning streak by beating Colgate at Baker Field on Saturday slumped yesterday when Coach Lou Little declared that Gene Rossides, star Lion quarterback, had suffered leg and shoulder injuries in the spectacular triumph over Yale.

"Rossides hasn't been able to practice this week," Little said today. "Gene is hobbling around on a damaged ankle. Furthermore he is handcuffed by a severe shoulder bruise which prevents him from throwing accurately."

eroos would go flying out of the window.

But both men should have tune-ups for they've been in the service so long they must of necessity be stale and slow.

Don't take the controversy too seriously, however, the Big Fight will go on, have no fear of that. This is just adding fuel to the fire—and, frankly, I think Jacobs loves it.

## Baltimore CIO Opens Fight on Jimcrow

BALTIMORE, Oct. 17.—A newly-formed CIO Anti-Discrimination Committee started its work here with a fight to end Jimcrow on the city's one offending bus line and in a local theater. The committee will also fight for repeal of all discriminatory laws in Maryland. Albert McPherson of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, is chairman of the committee.

## RADIO

WMCA—670 Kc.  
WEAF—680 Kc.  
WOR—710 Kc.  
WJZ—770 Kc.  
WNYC—830 Kc.  
WABC—880 Kc.  
WINS—1000 Kc.

WEVD—1330 Kc.  
WNEW—1130 Kc.  
WLIR—1190 Kc.  
WHN—1050 Kc.  
WQV—1290 Kc.  
WBNY—1490 Kc.  
WQXR—1500 Kc.

4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Food and Home Forum  
WJZ—Chatter Boxes—Talk  
WABC—National War Fund Show, With Bea Wain, Andre Baruch  
WMCA—News; Music  
4:45-WEAF—Young Widder Brown  
WOR—Hop Harrigan  
WABC—Feature Story  
WOR—Uncle Don  
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates  
WABC—School of the Air  
5:15-WEAF—Sonata Facies Life  
WOR—Superman  
WJZ—Dick Tracy  
WMCA—Let's Listen to a Story  
WQXR—Today in Music  
5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill  
WOR—Captain Midnight  
WJZ—Jack Armstrong  
WABC—Olmarron Tavern—Sketch  
WMCA—News; Music  
WQXR—Books in the News  
5:45-WEAF—Front-Page Farrell  
WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix  
WJZ—Tennessee Jed  
WABC—Sparrow and the Hawk  
WQXR—Man About Town

### 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News Reports  
WOR—Paul Schubert  
WJZ—Kierman's News Corner  
WABC—Ned Calmer, News  
WMCA—News; Talks  
6:15-WEAF—Serenade to America  
WOR—Man on the Street  
WJZ—Here's Morgan  
WABC—Patli Clayton, Songs  
6:30-WOR—Fred Vandeventer, News  
WJZ—News; Sports Talk  
WABC—Encore Appearance  
WMCA—Racing Results  
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Political Talk  
WABC—The World Today—News  
6:55-WEAF—Joseph C. Harsch, News  
7:00-WEAF—Supper Club, Variety  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WABC—Jack Kirkwood Show  
WQXR—Lisa Sergio  
7:15-WEAF—News of the World  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Raymond Swing  
WABC—Jack Smith Show  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
WQXR—Encore Music  
7:30-WEAF—Bob Burns, Comedy  
WOR—Arthur Hale  
WJZ—Boston Blackie—Play  
WABC—Mr. Keen—Play  
WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh  
WQXR—Spotlight Music  
7:45-WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt  
WJZ—Johannes Steel  
8:00-WEAF—Burns and Allen, Comedy  
WOR—Studio Music  
WJZ—Lum 'n' Abner  
WABC—Suspense—Play

8:15-WOR—Kenny Baker, Songs  
WJZ—Earl Godwin, News  
8:30-WEAF—Dinah Shore's Open House  
WOR—Rogue's Gallery, with Dick Powell  
WJZ—Town Meeting  
WABC—FBI in Peace and War  
8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

### 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—Music Hall; Frank Morgan  
WOR—Gabriel Heitler  
WABC—Kostelanetz Orchestra; Jane Froman, Songs  
WMCA—News; Labor Arbitration  
WQXR—Worldwide News Review  
9:15-WOR—Real Life Stories  
WQXR—Salon de Musique  
9:30-WEAF—Jack Haley Show  
WOR—Starlight Serenade  
WJZ—Detect and Collect, Quiz  
WABC—Hobby Lobby  
WQXR—Everybody's Music  
10:00-WEAF—Abbott and Costello  
WOR—The Better Half, Quiz  
WJZ—Curtain Time  
WABC—The First Line  
WMCA—News; Music  
10:30-WEAF—Rudy Vallee Show  
WOR—The Symphonette  
WJZ—Liberal Party Talk  
WABC—Powder Box Theater  
WMCA—Frank Kingdom  
WQXR—Talk—Algernon D. Black  
10:45-WABC—No Deal Party Talk  
WQXR—The Music Box  
11:00-WEAF—News; Music  
WOR—News; Dance Music  
WJZ, WABC—News; Music  
11:30-WEAF—The Story of Music  
12:00-WEAF, WJZ—News; Music  
WQXR—News Reports

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## Film Front

# Warner Bros. Lauds Goons in Film Strike

By David Platt

WARNER BROS. added insult to injury by taking a paid center spread in the *Hollywood Reporter* to congratulate 'brass knuckles' Blaney Matthews and his gang of thugs for their fascistic assault on the studio strikers. "The law enforcement officers... are entitled to public commendation for their efforts to enforce the law, protect law-abiding citizens and to preserve order against overwhelming odds."



Warner Bros. are much too modest. They should take a bow themselves for their clever use of the Hitler technique of deliberately provoking a riot, then holding the victims of the attack responsible for breaking the law. Warner's terrorized peaceful pickets, with tear gas, blackjacks, tire chains, six-inch pipes, battery cables, bolts, hammers and high pressure fire hoses. But they still insist in their paid ad in the *Reporter* that "we will continue with our established policy of combining good citizenship and good picture-making." Not even a horse will swallow that one.

EARL ROBINSON found himself in the lineup for finger-printing after the mass arrests. He had come to the Warner's picket line to sing his songs and play his banjo. After pressing his thumb on a white sheet of paper, Robinson mounted a table and led a prisoners' chorus of more than 200 voices in singing the picket line song he had composed for the strikers. It went like this:

"Come with me on the picket line  
We'll stay there until Warner's sign  
It's time to see that justice shall be done."

STRIKERS are still picketing several studios. They will continue to do so until every last man on strike has been reinstated and reimbursed as of the start of the strike. There are no signs that the Producers intend to accept the latest verdict of the National Labor Relations Board which is favorable to the strikers. After a delay of five months the NLRB has finally certified Local 1421, Screen Set Designers, one of the striking unions, as the chosen bargaining agent of the set decorators. The strike began seven months ago when the Producers disobeyed a WLB order to bargain with Local 1421. Fourteen other screen unions affiliated with the progressive Conference of Studio Unions walked out with the decorators. The Producers filled the jobs of these 8,000 workers with strike-breakers. Picketing will continue until every scab is kicked out.

## 'Carib Song' Bogs Down Excellent Negro Cast

By SAMUEL SILLEN

Despite the valiant efforts of a fine Negro cast headed by Katherine Dunham, *Carib Song* is a disappointment. For this musical play of the West Indies gets bogged down in a singularly dull book by William Archibald. The good moments in the show stand out boldly in the slow, rambling succession of scenes.

This is the tale of a West Indian woman (Miss Dunham) who turned from her stuffy husband (William Franklin) to a more poetic fisherman (Avon Long). The unhappy romance ends in murder. It is a thin thread on which to string the dances of Katherine Dunham and the songs by Baldwin Bergersen and William Archibald.

One prefers to dwell on the scattered excellent moments. One of these is provided by Avon Long, who literally stops the show with "Woman Is a Rascal." Mr. Long, who also gave an outstanding performance in last season's *Memphis Bound*, is a supple dancer, a mischievous comic artist. Why he was not given other good numbers is one of the mysteries of this curiously disorganized production.

## SWEET CLEAR VOICE

Another fine moment is the singing of *Sleep, Baby, Don't Cry* by Harriet Johnson, whose amazingly sweet clear voice does wonders with a melodic tune. Miss Johnson captured audiences with her singing of *Summertime* in the Cheryl Crawford version of *Porgy and Bess*. She repeats her success in *Carib Song*.

William Franklin carries much of the singing burden, but his real strength is felt only in *You Know, Oh Lord*, an impassioned spiritual.

Katherine Dunham, who has an awkward acting role, has based her dances on her studies in the West Indies, and choreographically the show reaches its high point in the *Shango Ritual* number. But Miss Dunham fails to communicate her native materials effectively. The

*CARIB SONG*, a musical play starring Katherine Dunham, with score by Baldwin Bergersen, book and lyrics by William Archibald, presented by George Stanton at the Adelphi. Cast includes Avon Long, William Franklin, Harriet Johnson, Mabel Sanford Lewis, Mercedes Gilbert and Elsie Benjamin; staged by Mary Hunter; choreography by Katherine Dunham; scenery by Jo Mielziner; costumes by Motley; musical director, Pembroke Davenport.



KATHERINE DUNHAM

pressures of Broadway, which likes to play up the "exotic," have evidently had their effect on the folk idiom which might have given this production the richness and significance it fails to achieve.

Many opportunities have been lost in *Carib Song*. Once again, as several times last season, we have a musical which fails to do justice to the talents of outstanding Negro artists. It seems a pity that they should be burdened with a boring mixture of "atmosphere," sentimentalism, and mere confusion.

## Actors Party In Honor of Ben Davis

"Broadway for Ben Davis," a combination cabaret-concert-jam session show, will be the entertainment feature of the Actors and Musicians Party in honor of Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., this Friday night, Oct. 19, at the Pent House, 13 Astor Place.

The Broadway and Paramount Pictures' star Howard da Silva will act as master of ceremonies for the theatrical offering. The cast of "Broadway for Ben Davis" includes swing pianist Mary Lou Williams, folk singer Josh White, dancer Josephine Premice, trumpeter, Roy Eldridge, Richard Huey of *Bloomer Girl*, the Specs Powell Trio, Lucy Brown, Bob Penn, Sam Morgenstern, Hubert Dilworth, Phil Moore and Ruth Fremont. Cass Carr's Band with Hope Foy will play for the show and for dancing.

Councilman Davis will make a short address at the affair which is being sponsored by the Artists, Writers and Professionals Division of the Citizens Nonpartisan Committee to reelect Benjamin J. Davis, Jr. The Artists, Writers and Professionals Division includes more than 1,000 prominent members of the cultural fields.

Headed by chairman Paul Robeson, a partial list of sponsors of the Division includes Margaret Webster, Jose Ferrer, Lena Horne, Olin Downes, Hazel Scott, Leonard Bernstein, Joan Tetzel, Howard Fast, Fritz Mahler, Sono Osato, Count Basie, Canada Lee, Edward Chodorov, Jerome Robbins, Teddy Wilson, Irving Caesar, Cab Calloway, Jimmy Lunceford, Samson Raphaelson, Theron Bamberger, Fredi Washington.

## Fantastic Symphony On Boston Concert

BOSTON, Oct. 17.—The third of the current season's Boston Symphony Orchestra concerts over WJZ-ABC, on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 9:30 to 10:30 p. m., will be devoted to Berlioz's *Fantastic Symphony*. Dr. Serge Koussevitzky, conductor, will present all five movements of this massive score by the French composer.

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## ALP Auctions ACA Paintings

Paintings "within everyone's means" will be auctioned off at the Greenwich Village Club, 28 Greenwich Ave., New York City, on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 21, from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. The auction will be under the sponsorship of the Greenwich and the 175 Thompson St. Clubs of

the American Labor Party and the ACA Gallery.

An exhibition of paintings, ceramics and sculpture to be auctioned off will be held through the week preceding the auction, beginning today at the clubhouse.

## Downfall of Haman To Be Repeated

Because of the many requests for repeat performances of the *Downfall of Haman*, traditional Yiddish Purim play, the Yiddish Theatre Ensemble will give two performances of this delightful comedy on Saturday evening, Nov. 10, and Sunday evening, Nov. 18, at the Barbizon Plaza Theatre, 101 W. 58 St., N. Y. C.

The Yiddish Theatre Ensemble is also diligently rehearsing their forthcoming presentation of the Sholom Aleichem comedy, the *Tragic Jest* with a cast of former Artef members directed by Benjamin Zemach.

They will open at the Barbizon Plaza Theatre, Sat. Eve, Nov. 24. Performances will be given at the same theatre every Sat. evening for the season of 1945-46. The Artef is well remembered for their productions a few seasons ago notably *200,000 and Recruits*.

## 'Dear Octopus' At the Irving

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# RYAN OPENS TERROR DRIVE, DOCKERS TURN BACK GOONS

By JOHN MELDON

Frantic efforts by Joe (King) Ryan to negotiate with shippers didn't get very far yesterday. After more than an hour's conference with J. V. Lyon, president of the N. Y. Shipping Association at 80 Broad St., Ryan and his 75-man Wage Scale Committee left the building with a glum statement to the press: "We will meet again tomorrow."

Ryan and his stooges turned up at the shippers headquarters shortly after 2 p. m. to the blaring accompaniment

of press headlines that the dock strike had been "broken" and that enough dockers were back at work to enable Ryan to speak for the strikers. Apparently the shipping lines—who want to see Ryan continue in power as much as he does—were not satisfied with Ryan's strikebreaking results to date. Hence the glum statement to the newspapers by the ILA dictator.

## STRIKERS DEMONSTRATE

Meanwhile, a thousand striking dockers and members of the Joint Seamen's Action Committee representing four maritime unions supporting the dockers' demands, also turned up and staged a demonstration protesting Ryan's brazen attempts to speak for the longshoremen. Earlier, the strikers had held a rally outside the hall occupied by the AFL Seafarers International Union at 2 Stone St., where speakers blasted activities of the SIU—a vest pocket stooge outfit of Ryan's—to disrupt the dockers' walkout.

After the strikers left the SIU hall and appeared in front of the shippers' building, gangs of SIU "gashounds," as they are known on the waterfront, turned up with a soundtruck and tried to drown out the speakers of the Rank and File dock strikers. A few moments later, they attempted to attack the strikers and in the resulting melee of police clubs and flying fists a half dozen of Ryan's mobsters were badly mauled.

"They got in the way of the cops' clubs," remarked a striker. Speakers at the strikers' demonstration were William E. Warren, chairman of the strikers' Rank and File Committee; John Rogan, for the Joint Seamen's Action Committee, and Joseph Stack, NMU port agent.

## RYAN RECRUITING SCABS

Ryan meanwhile resorted to open scab recruiting in the city yesterday after his phony "back to work" movement stalled for the third successive day since Monday. Absolutely unauthenticated figures of the number of men scabbing on the docks were put at 10,000 by the pro-Ryan newspapers. Picket captains of the Rank and File Longshoremen's Committee who observed scab herding at the piers, declared that not more than 1,200 men were working along North River piers which normally employ many thousands.

A check at the 8 a. m. shape-up at the big Grace Line piers in Manhattan revealed that only seven scab gangs went to work. Normally, 25 or more gangs work those piers. Elsewhere—in Brooklyn, Staten Island and New Jersey—the strike was still solid under the leadership of the Warren committee.

Ryan scab herders, in a desperate effort to present a sizeable turnout of manpower at the docks, were found recruiting strikebreakers in the city subways yesterday morning. At the Lafayette St. entrance of the Eighth Ave. subway, two trucks were parked awaiting to take men from the subways to the docks. However, offers of \$10 to passing citizens "just to walk into the piers" as the scab herders put it, were in the main turned down.

First signs of growing terror methods by the Ryan machine became apparent yesterday in a series of "dumping" of dock strikers and NMU members. Ante Baric, a bosun aboard the S.S. Dewing,

## The Real Issues in the Dock Strike AN EDITORIAL

NEW YORK's business-run press is out to sell the public the idea that "communism" and CIO-AFL rivalry are the issues in the dock strike. Weird stories have been fed to newspaper readers about a "red plot" to seize shipping and such nonsense.

Yes, there is a plot. But it consists of a well organized and centrally-directed plan to distract public attention from the demands which caused the strike and to cover up those really responsible for continuance of the walkout.

Joseph P. Ryan, dictator of the International Longshoremen's Association (for life at \$20,000 per annum), it will be remembered, negotiated a contract which the men rejected. The workers were determined to win a slingload limit of a ton; two, instead of three, "shape-ups" and several similar improvements. To back their demands, the

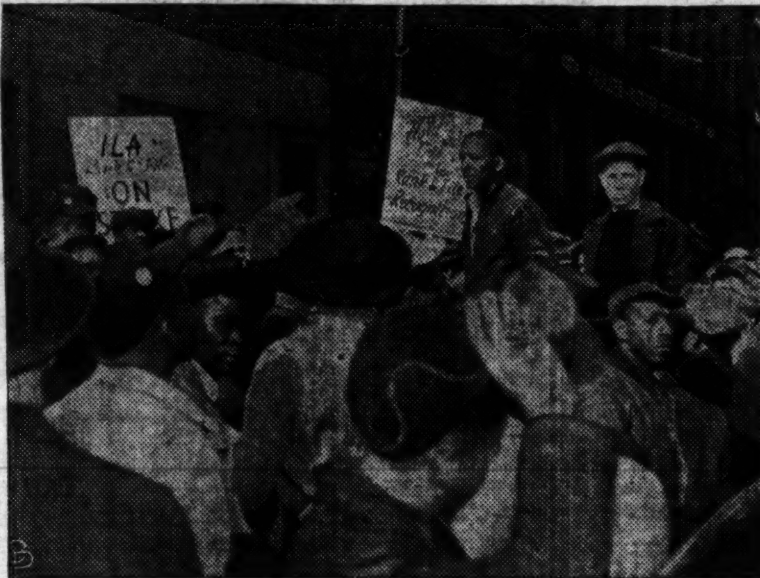
workers stopped work until a satisfactory contract is signed.

Ryan tried every trick he knew of to force the men back to work; and he failed miserably. Every man on the street now knows that the workers follow their Rank and File Committee, not Ryan. Any doubt on that point was settled when both Ryan and the shipowners turned down the Mayor's proposal for an impartially-conducted election to settle which negotiating committee the workers want.

When all strikebreaking efforts failed, the last resort was invoked. It was then discovered that a "red" plot was afoot. Because the CIO maritime unions support the Rank and File and refuse to work on ships where scabs do loading, the story was concocted that the CIO wants to take the longshoremen out of the AFL.

In refusing to deal with the Rank and File Committee, the only authoritative body among the strikers, the shipowners, in effect, are refusing to deal with the representatives chosen by the workers. They insist on their own choice—Ryan. The false issues of "communism" and CIO-AFL rivalry were deliberately injected to "justify" scabbery and prevent the solid support that the dockers are entitled to receive from every union in the AFL or CIO.

The real plot emanates from offices of the shipowners. Strikers and maritime unions have made it clear that the sole issues are the modest demands of the workers and ending of the Ryan dictatorship, which is part of that fight. The shipowners and their Ryan agents don't want to meet these demands, and for that reason are trying to pull the wool over the eyes of the public.



**Rank and File Rally:** Jimmy Glasgow, Negro dock worker, addresses striking longshoremen following a mass picket line which tied up piers along the Chelsea and East River waterfront. The picket rally above took place near the Puerto Rican Line docks near South St.

docked at pier 14, was assaulted as he left his ship shortly after 7 a. m. One of his three assailants was arrested and booked under \$1,000 bail. He identified himself as Daniel Cacossa, an official of the ILA. Sam Conzo, Italian American leader of the rank and file dockers, was also attacked by Ryan "goons" but escaped before he was seriously hurt. Not so fortunate, however, was Sal Ganzo who was badly beaten by Ryan musclemen at Columbia and President Sts. in Brooklyn. Other mobsters roamed around various Brooklyn piers looking for rank and file leaders.

## CREW ACTS

The attack upon NMU member Baric led to swift action by the maritime union. The crew left the vessel and went to NMU headquarters on West 17th St., where they met and voted to remain off the vessel until "safety conditions for the crew are restored." Port agent Stack ordered a skeleton security crew to stay aboard meanwhile.

Shortly before Ryan met with the shipowners, Warren wired the employers that "Joseph P. Ryan is quoted in the press this morning as announcing he will meet with you at 2:30 p. m. today for the purpose of negotiating an agreement. Whether you have agreed to such a meeting is not clear. We hope you will not continue to make the mistake of negotiating with persons who are afraid of an election and who have shown that they are unable, or unwilling, to fight for a re-

duction of the slingload and for our other just demands. Why should other ports have better conditions than New York?"

## CABLES PARATROOPERS

Warren also sent a cablegram to the paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division of the U.S. Army in Berlin, in reply to a statement sent by a group of paratroopers to the New York Times on Oct. 15, condemning the strike.

Warren's cable said: "Answering your wire to New York papers, 3,500 representatives of the rank and file striking longshoremen have voted to send you the true story. Repeated offers have been made to federal authorities to discuss the handling of troopships in this strike. The rank and file longshoremen have also accepted Mayor LaGuardia's plan for an early end of the strike with waterfront dictator Joseph P. Ryan, continue selfishly to refuse if accepted by the shipowners, who, the mayor's plan. Only they can be blamed for prolonging the tie-up."

"Labor did its part during the war and every day since. Our men are fighting for an honest, democratic union. Our fight is for the same principles on the waterfront that you and other American boys have been fighting for on the war front."

Headquarters of the rank and file strike committee were opened yesterday at 638 Hudson St., Manhattan.

## City CIO Votes Fund Aid to Dock Strikers

The City CIO supports striking AFL longshoremen and will raise money to help them, Saul Mills secretary, said yesterday. The CIO action was decided yesterday morning at an administrative committee meeting at which Frederick N. Myers, National Maritime Union vice-president, reported on the situation in the stevedores' strike.

In addition to giving moral and financial support, the City CIO is writing Mayor LaGuardia, backing his plan for a vote among the longshoremen, and urging the city's chief executive to make clear to the public that responsibility for the strike lies with shipowners, Mills revealed.

The CIO has no intention or desire to interfere in the internal affairs of the International Longshoremen's Association and has no plans for taking over the ILA, an administrative committee statement said.

## BACKS JUST DEMANDS

Support to the strikers was voted in a spirit of solidarity behind just demands, just as support was voted earlier to AFL Building Service Employees when they were on strike, the statement said.

Mills added that the CIO would remind Mayor LaGuardia that there is a law against importing scabs to break strikes. A report that busloads of strikebreakers are being sent to New York City from Baltimore and Philadelphia prompted the reminder, he said.

What the longshoremen do about the leadership of their union is their business but what they do to improve their wages and working conditions is "everybody's business," said the CIO.

Commending the strikers for their war records and their continued service to troop ships, the CIO declaration continued:

"The demands of the rank and file longshoremen for increased wages, reduction of sling loads and relief from the nefarious

shape-up procedure of hiring are just demands and should be granted.

"The demand that they be permitted to vote freely as American citizens and union members on what terms of settlement are acceptable to the majority of the men is a basic and fundamental principle for which they have a right to fight."

The statement said the decision to give financial support was made in reply to an appeal from the Rank and File Committee of the ILA.

Pete Moselle, regional CIO director, sat in on the administrative committee meeting and concurred in its findings.

Others who participated in making the decisions were James V. King, State, County & Municipal Workers; Lewis Merrill, United Office & Professional Workers; Irving J. Potash, furriers; Michael J. Quill, Transport Workers; Ernest Rudloff, Marine & Shipbuilding; Murray Weinstein, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and Ruth Young, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers.

## Urge CP Clubs Speed Circulation Campaign

The Communist Party yesterday urged all Communist clubs not to delay the discussion on the Worker circulation campaign plan in executive committee and membership meetings.

Reports on the discussions, as well as proposals and amendments should be rushed to the National office, 35 E. 12 St., N. Y. Delay will seriously upset C.P. plans.

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